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you can move from one form of cross-check to another, if you believe a cross-check is necessary. In other words, if I was persuaded that there was enough ugly examples out there that we shouldn't trust just the existing system, and I've heard four so far or about five, and that's not enough for me, I could vote not to let it go on the E clause, then vote for the bill, which would tell the world the highway patrol is going to come to an end, because they're not the right group to do this, and reallocate those services back into criminal investigation and highway safety where it should be. That would also give us an...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...opportunity yet this session to come up with something else besides the highway patrol, in the event this body felt that there was sufficient number of ugly examples that means one more cross-check with our children's safety ought to be done. And I got to tell you, that value is high for me. Children's safety is pretty darn high. And I think a school bus that doesn't have an emergency lever is dangerous; I think a school bus whose arms for stopping don't work is dangerous; I think a leaky exhaust system is dangerous. And any system that has checked and let those go by is itself flawed. We're not doing enough if we've been able to catch those. It's just that we don't need a highway patrolman to catch those; many other people could do that. This leaves me in this spot, I'm going to vote for LB 36. If I hear enough ugly examples, I'm not going to vote for the E clause and then I'm going to vote for LB 36. If I don't hear enough ugly examples,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...I'm going to vote for LB 36 on its face. But, if there are enough ugly examples, I'm going to let us use the rest of this session...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...and 90 days after to come up with an alternative form of checking rather than simply to do away with